



HELP US FIGHT **FRAUD,** **& WASTE,** **ABUSE**

Safe and secure ways to report
using the County Auditor's hotline:

Phone:

866-556-8181



Internet:

www.harriscounty.ethicspoint.com

FRAUD:

The unauthorized use of County resources for personal gain by deception intended to result in financial or other personal gains.

Examples:

- Forgery or alteration of documents.
- Soliciting/accepting gifts.
- Misappropriation of County funds, time, supplies, donations, or other resources.

WASTE:

The extravagant, careless, or needless expenditure of government funds, consumption of County property/resources.

Examples:

- Purchasing unnecessary supplies or equipment for County use.
- Purchasing of goods and services for the County at inflated prices.
- Failure to reuse or recycle major resources.

ABUSE:

Use of County office, employment, contract, or other position with the County to obtain personal gain or favor from a citizen, other County employee, or vendor.

Examples:

- Inappropriate and unauthorized use of County resources for County and non-County purposes.
- Using County vendors or suppliers to conduct non-County business.
- Abuse of authority for personal gain.